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In re the Application of: D. Ward et a

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## RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to a telephonic interview with the Examiner regarding the aboveidentified application, Applicants submit herewith the following documents:

- (1) a copy of the substitute specification previously filed on June 18, 1999;
- (2) a red-lined copy of the substitute specification previously filed on June 18, 1999; and
- (3) copies of the amendments to the original specification which were filed in the parent applications on February 14, 1992, January 23, 1995, and April 29, 1996 and which have been incorporated into the substitute specification submitted herewith.

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## REMARKS

In a telephonic interview with the Examiner on April 19, 2000, the Examiner requested that the following documents be submitted: a substitute specification indicating the portions which had been amended or added, and copies of the amendments to the original specification which were filed in the parent applications on February 14, 1992, January 23, 1995, and April 29, 1996 and which have been incorporated into the substitute specification.

Accordingly, Applicants submit herewith a substitute specification along with a red-lined copy of the substitute specification showing the amendments made via the amendments to the original specification which were filed in the parent applications on February 14, 1992, January 23, 1995, and April 29, 1996.

In particular, the red-lined copy of the substitute specification notes the following amendments:

At page 1, lines 6-11, the addition of related application data (preliminary amendment in application transmittal form, filed June 18, 1999);

At pages 3-9, the amendment of the figure descriptions for Figures 1-14 (Preliminary Amendment, filed January 23, 1995);

At pages 9-10, the amendment of Figure 15 description (Preliminary Amendment, filed February 14, 1992);

At page 21, line 29; page 23, line 31; page 25, lines 13-32; page 27, line 24; page 28, lines 2-3; page 29, lines 26-27; page 30, line 9; page 32, line 24; page 35, line 34; page 36, line 6; page 36, line 16; the amendment of the figure designations (Amendment, filed April 29, 1996); and

At pages 44-53, the addition of Example 4 (Preliminary Amendment, filed February 14, 1992).

No new matter has been added.

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Further, as discussed on April 19, 2000, Applicants note that claims 1-18, as reproduced in the substitute specification submitted herewith, are currently pending.

Applicants respectfully request that the substitute specification be entered.

Respectfully submitted,

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